

CRACK BOWLERS IN THEIR NETTLE.

Many Big Scores Put Up in the
First Week of the Herald's
Champion Tournament.

RATTLING CLUB AVERAGES.

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Standing of the Clubs.

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"If there are any bowlers this side of the Pacific that are capable of rolling big scores they are right in this Herald tournament," was the remark made by a veteran bowler at one of the above mentioned evening. Still, there are hundreds of enthusiasts that are anxious to know why the clubs of this tournament have not already rolled scores of nine hundred or over, as was done last year.

Are the clubs weaker? Is the material in the country? No. It is simply this, that last season high scores were easier to roll because the pins were closer together. The size of the pins this year has been changed, so that they are heavier than those of the old style, thus causing them to stand firmer. The spots upon which the pins set have also been changed, so that they are more difficult to knock down. All these alterations have brought the game down to such a scientific point that it takes all a first class player to do to roll a creditable score. Providing it is on a regulation alley, such as the Herald's tournament, games are being rolled on "old pros" has also been unknown to the bowlers during the past week, and the rainy or bad weather has had considerable effect upon the players as well as on the pins and alleys. It is the latter of these two factors that is doing the most to keep the usual amount of elasticity.

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Below will be found the highest individual scores of each club, and the players who have made them in only one week, five of them are above the double century line. This is also a marvellous record.

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